

Baxter Springs News

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BAXTER SPRINGS - KANSAS

It is the "stepless," not the "strapless," car that is coming.

A sure way to become a pessimist is to think about the weather.

Keep the wedding bells in tune and there will be no domestic discord.

A woman's idea of the acme of martyrdom is to wear last year's hat.

"Wealth does not mean happiness," says a millionaire. Neither does poverty.

The period of the muzzled dog has arrived. That's mighty tough on the dogs.

One of the beauties of aviating is that there are no icebergs floating in the sky.

Wellesley college students have put a kibosh on slang. Evidently it gets their goat.

That pest, the fly, is getting numerous, and it is time for the householder to get busy.

There are 50,500 windowless rooms in New York, which in some respects is a civilized town.

One of the beauties of the one-half cent piece is that nobody will take the trouble to counterfeit it.

"Babies," says a Paris scientist, "are covered with germs." So is money, but nobody shows any fear of it.

One hates to think of the backaches the farmers are to achieve in harvesting the abundant crops this year.

A scientist has discovered 400 different kinds of fleas, and sometimes you think, no doubt, your dog has 'em all.

We are soon to find further evidence that the fireproof screen is as much of a reality as the unsinkable ship.

Don't bother about having a father's day. Father attends to that himself every week the club plays at home.

There are various ways to skin a cat, but they are few in comparison with the number of ways to skin the public.

A Philadelphia man died in a barber's chair while being shaved, but we presume the barber went right on talking.

If, as a scientist tells us, there are 8,000,000 bacteria in a spoonful of milk, what is the population of a milk wagon?

Of absent minded men the most notable is the one who forgot all about a fishing trip while reading the political news.

The sparrow may be a savory viand, as the department of agriculture says, but somehow it always puts us in mind of an insect.

"Americans," says a college professor, "are overworked." Occasionally a college professor says something that strikes home.

"Golf," says a clergyman, "keeps 100,000 caddies away from Sunday school." But think of the picturesque vocabulary they acquire.

The man who claims he caught a whale with a lasso would have no difficulty in being elected to a post of honor in the Ananias club.

"Australia now has a woman on the bench." That's nothing; so have the St. Louis "Cardinals."

An American invited guest to King George's garden fell and broke his leg. This is not supposed to be according to the Hoyle of court etiquette.

Although a German savant has invented a serum for the hoof and mouth disease, it will not be useful for restraining impulsive candidates.

Dr. David Allyn Gordon, 80 years old, of Brooklyn, has just become the father of twins, both doing well. Doc Osler's views have not yet been obtained.

A course in "scientific baby washing" has been established in a New York school. They ought to extend it so as to include boys under 14 years of age.

An American has been arrested in London for throwing money away in the streets. Evidently the Hotel Employees' union there has some influence with the authorities.

MR. RUCKER'S MEMORIAL DAY DINNER



OUR illustration is a flashlight photograph of the Memorial day dinner given by Congressman A. W. Rucker of Colorado to 12 men in Washington official life, who, like himself, are survivors of the Confederate army. The only flag that appeared in the decorations of the host's apartment was Old Glory.

SEEK ASTOR WEALTH

Heir to \$100,000,000 Receives Letters From Many Persons.

Women Propose Marriage and Men Ask Him to Become Partners in Business—Others Make Odd Requests.

New York.—Vincent Astor's latest trouble is a deluge of letters from persons anxious to advise him as to the best manner of spending his \$100,000,000 inheritance. Many of the letters are from women, telling of their great love and conveying offers of marriage.

Old women and young women, brazen and demure, thin and fat ones, pretty and ugly, have taken their pens in hand, not without hope of gain. Some have pretended to bespeak Mr. Astor's interest in behalf of causes other than purely personal ones, but most of them have been frankly smitten in the desire to call the young man's attention to certain persons that he otherwise might overlook.

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TO FORM FLAG ASSOCIATION

Patriots Will Erect Monument and All Will Be Asked to Fight Anarchistic Principles.

Spokane, Wash.—The Grand Army of the Republic, the Spanish War Veterans, American Flag association, Daughters of the American Revolution and other local members of patriotic organizations will organize a flag association in Spokane in which every national society will be a member. They also will fight anarchistic organizations and teach all people and societies to respect the flag. A proposition to erect a big monument on the high bluff in Summer avenue between Washington and Bernard streets, to be called "Flag Day" monument, is being considered.

Downtown buildings will be decorated and every national society in the city will be asked to take part of a parade and program.

WEAPONS ARE FROM 1000 B. C.

Austrian Explorers of Imperial Museum Make Rich Haul in Karst Mountains.

Vienna.—An exploration by members of the Imperial museum into the cavern of St. Kanton in the Karst mountains has yielded more than 1,000 bronze implements such as swords, axes, lance heads and vessels supposed to date from 1000 B. C. They were all found at the bottom of a pit 150 feet deep within the cavern. It is suggested they were thrown in there as a sacrifice to a subterranean deity.

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DIES TO SPITE LANDLORD

Woman at Paris, France, Ends Life in Owner's Flat to Vex Him.

Paris.—House owners in Paris are no better and no worse than those of any country, and disappointed tourists, of course, keep them on their black list. Literary celebrities like M. Gandillot may leave lions and tigers in their flats to annoy proprietors, but what is a poor charwoman to do whose room is not large enough for a menagerie, and who, besides, is not famous?

"I will do something that will draw attention to me," said one of these poor wretches, and she penned the following missive to her landlord: "I will commit suicide to spite you, because you let my flat to another. People will not care to come to a flat with a corpse in it."

She proceeded to carry out her threat, and committed suicide by inhaling the fumes of a coke fire which she lighted in her room. The proprietor found her dead.

BEEF TOO HIGH FOR TWO CATS

Uncle Sam Refuses to Maintain Rat Catchers at the Subtreasury Owing to Expense.

Washington.—The propriety of feeding two cats at the public crib is denied by A. Platt Andrew, assistant secretary of the treasury.

The urgent appeal for the cats came from the subtreasury in New York which is infested with rats and mice. Kind-hearted clerks have been contributing to the support of the two cats installed, while awaiting official approval of the use of the contingent fund.

Man Near Death Relents

Murderer Forgives His Daughter, Who "Caused It All."

Dramatic Meeting in Prison Before an Artist's Death—Pictures of Himself on the Gallows Painted by Jan Ribarich.

Washington, Pa.—Jan Ribarich, an Austrian, artist and thrice a murderer, who will be hanged here, was converted in his cell by his daughter whom he had vowed he would kill because she was the "cause of it all." A visit from his daughter, a prayer and the singing of "Nearer, My God, to Thee," caused a dramatic incident.

Ribarich, who had fitted his cell into a studio, for weeks past occupied his time in painting pictures and presenting them to his friends and jail officials. He always spoke jokingly of the gallows and had persuaded the sheriff to allow him to look at the gallows from a window several hours before the hanging was to take place.

Ribarich had painted many of his friends and had drawn a sketch of himself dangling at the end of a rope with his body half concealed through the falling of the trap.

Ribarich shot and killed Michael Novak, his wife and stepson, Stanjovi, whom he blamed for harboring his daughter. After his conviction, the father said his only desire was to kill his daughter before he died, as she had disobeyed him.

The girl visited her father, accompa-

nied by guards. When he saw her he broke down. A Methodist minister prayed, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," was sung by visitors and jail guards and the condemned man embraced his daughter.

Before leaving the jail the daughter, eighteen years old, promised her father to bring her fiancé to the jail. It will be the first meeting between Ribarich and the young man who will take his daughter as a bride soon after the hanging.

DIES BY OWN BURGLAR TRAP

Memphis Grocer Fatally Wounded by Shotgun Set Near Window for an Intruder.

Memphis, Tenn.—A burglar trap set by Ray S. Brooks caused the death of Brooks in his grocery store in the outskirts of town. His body was found on the floor when his wife went to the store to find out why he had not gone to supper. A shotgun arranged to discharge in the direction of a window, should an effort be made to raise the window, was empty, its load having entered Brooks' body. It is supposed that he stepped on the string "trigger" in passing between the gun and the window.

Dirigible Breaks Record.

Paris.—The French dirigible balloon, Clement-Bayard III, beat the world's dirigible balloon record for altitude. Carrying six passengers the craft ascended to a height of 9,514 feet.

Four Dollars for a Cake of Soap. Soap has never been considered an extravagance, but now that notion may change, since the new French imported soaps are costing from two to three and four dollars a cake. They are, however deliciously scented, and one may take pardonable pleasure in using such toilet article. Each cake comes in a little box, and is satin covered; they are quite a suitable item for the traveling bag of the bride, for which the most exquisite trifles are always sought out.

Cutting Repartees. "How," said a lawyer to a witness, "how can you possibly bear such testimony against this man who you say is your friend?"

"Sir," said the man, "he is my friend, and I love him, but I love Truth more."

"You should be ashamed," replied the lawyer, "to turn your back on a friend for one who is a perfect stranger to you."

A girl may laugh at love, but later she may realize that there is nothing better to cry on than a man's shoulder.

Years ago Garfield Tea was introduced and since its appearance has won hearty approval because it does what is claimed for it.

Nothing succeeds like the efforts of some people to be disagreeable.

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